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TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between the Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and the Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut.

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) announces the following confirmed and proposed schedule of hearing and meeting dates.

Please note that the Council wishes to schedule a day off between hearings for review of material and other business – hence, the hearing dates for January, as indicated below, provide idle days on Wednesdays (January 12 and 19, 2005). However, such idle days between hearings may be used to continue the evidentiary process at the Council's discretion.

January Schedule (Confirmed)

Hearing Date

Wednesday, January 5, 2005

(Topic: Clean-up)

(Parties and Intervenors are requested to submit a list of topics and/or witnesses for additional cross-examination no later than December 22, 2004. Pre-filed testimony is due December 29, 2004.)

Hearing Date

Tuesday, January 11, 2005

(Topic: Cross on ROC Report)

Idle Date

Wednesday, January 12, 2005 *(Idle)*

Thursday, January 13, 2005

(Topic: Cross on ROC Report)

(Pre-filed testimony due Tuesday, December 28, 2004)

Tuesday, January 18, 2005

(Clean-up)

Wednesday, January 19, 2005 *(Idle)*

Thursday, January 20, 2005

(Clean-up)

(Parties and Intervenors must submit a list of topics and/or witnesses for additional cross-examination no later than January 4, 2005. Pre-filed testimony is due January 11, 2005.)

~Please note that the hearings scheduled in January will be held in Room 309, CCSU Institute of Technology and Business Development, 185 Main Street, New Britain.~

Proposed Deliberation Schedule

(NOTE: The following dates may fluctuate as demands dictate)

Record closes 30 days from last hearing (Jan. 20, 2005) on February 21, 2005

Party/Intervenor proposed Findings of Fact and Brief filed no later than
February 21, 2005

Council deliberates Draft Findings of Fact, February 24, 2005

Council deliberates Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order,
March 10, 2005

Hearing for Party/Intervenor Oral Arguments, March 24, 2005

Statutory Decision Deadline: April 7, 2005

~Please note that the proposed meetings scheduled in February and March will be held in Hearing
Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain.~

The Council requests parties and intervenors to list topics for continued cross-examination to be conducted on clean-up dates. Any parties or intervenors who object to this schedule are asked to submit their concerns in writing. Objections and/or topics for continued cross-examination should be filed no later than December 22, 2004.

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